

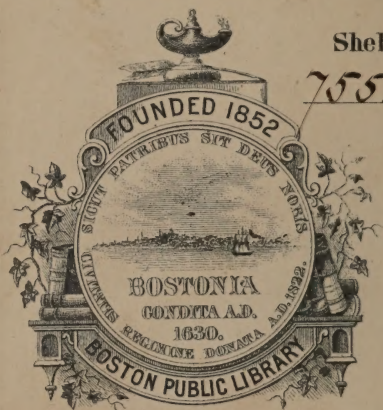
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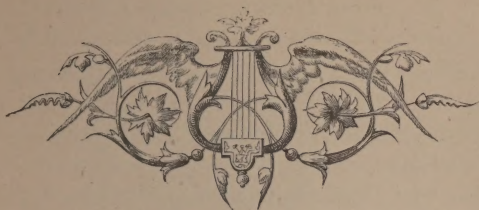
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BRIEF HISTORY

OF THE

SHAWMUT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

FOR THE USE OF THE MEMBERS.

PREVIOUS to the year 1845, there had for many years been a village, mostly of small houses, springing up in and around Dedham and Canton Streets, almost isolated from the city proper ; the space west of Washington Street, between Dover and Dedham Streets, being marsh and waste land. It was emphatically *missionary* ground, without any stated means of grace. A feeble sabbath school had existed for a brief period, as early as 1836 or 1837 ; but it was abandoned in 1838 or 1839. The Unitarians, however, had a missionary laboring there about this time, and sustained preaching and a sabbath school.

A few evangelical Christians lived amid this "moral waste ;" and they, in connection with a city missionary and a few tract distributors, felt the need of more vig-

orous efforts for the spiritual welfare of those residing there. Accordingly, in January, 1842, a weekly neighborhood meeting was commenced, held in private houses ; being sustained mostly by members from Pine-street Church. The meetings were so well attended, that the brethren who sustained them were encouraged to hire a hall on the corner of Canton Street and Suffolk Street (now Shawmut Avenue). The first meeting held in the hall was on Thursday evening, Feb. 10, 1842. They were called "Union meetings ;" and all evangelical Christians were invited to participate in them. The pastor of the Methodist Church, Roxbury, preached the first sermon. It was soon decided to hold the meetings on *sabbath* evenings, and have *preaching* as often as practicable. The first sabbath-evening service was held May 29, 1842. From that time to the dedication of the City Missionary Chapel, a sabbath-evening service was held there, almost without intermission. God's blessing attended those efforts ; and souls were there "born again."

Many of the evangelical pastors of the city at that time preached in the hall, and gave to the effort their warm sympathy. The attention of the City Missionary Society was early directed to the importance of the field, and from the first they gave to it their counsel and aid. So strongly were they impressed with the encouraging prospects there, that, early in 1845, the society purchased a lot of land on Shawmut Avenue, and erected thereon a chapel of wood, about forty by sixty feet. The chapel was dedicated sabbath evening, July 13, 1845 ; sermon by Rev. J. H. Towne.

About this time, the society engaged Rev. GEORGE A.

OVIATT of Belchertown, Mass., as the general agent of the society, and to labor statedly in that field. He commenced preaching regularly on the sabbath in the chapel, with very encouraging success. A sabbath school was commenced Aug. 3, 1845 ; and Albert Day was chosen superintendent. A church was organized Thursday, Nov. 20, 1845, called the "Suffolk-street Union Church," consisting of fifty members (twenty males and thirty females) ; forty-five by letter, and five by profession. Rev. George A. Oviatt was also installed as pastor of the church. The sermon on the occasion was preached by Rev. N. Adams, D.D., pastor of Essex-street Church. Joseph Johnson and Albert Day were chosen deacons.

The City Missionary Society gave the use of the chapel to the new church and congregation, and also paid one-half of Mr. Oviatt's salary for his services as their general agent, up to the time of his resignation of the pastoral office, which was mutually dissolved by an ecclesiastical council, March 28, 1849. During his acceptable ministry of more than three years, the church and congregation enjoyed two seasons of special religious interest, and largely increased. The sabbath school was also large and flourishing. Seventy-one united with the church during his ministry ; fifty-two by letter, and nineteen by profession.

The Shawmut Congregational Society was legally organized April 4, 1849 ; and in May, 1849, the church took the name of the "Shawmut Congregational Church." Rev. WILLIAM COWPER FOSTER, having received and accepted the call of the church and society, was installed Oct. 25, 1849. The sermon on the occasion was preached by the brother of the pastor-elect, Rev. Eden B. Foster

of Pelham, N.H. Mr. Foster's ministry continued a little over two years, when, feeling that his health was inadequate for his duties, he resigned his pastoral charge, and was dismissed Dec. 30, 1851. He labored with much zeal and fidelity, and God owned and blessed his ministry. Forty-two were added to the church during his pastorate; sixteen by letter, and twenty-six by profession.

In January, 1851, the first meeting was held to take measures for the erection of a suitable house of worship; the chapel being considered inadequate for the wants of the society. Meetings were held from time to time; committees appointed to confer with the City Missionary Society as to the terms on which the land and chapel could be bought; with the city authorities for an abatement of part of the price of the land; and also to solicit subscriptions from the various Orthodox societies of the city towards building the new house. The hearts of the brethren were encouraged, and God's providence crowned their efforts with success.

The corner-stone of the new church-edifice was laid Oct. 8, 1851, on which occasion a statement of the enterprise was given by Rev. William C. Foster, pastor of the church, and an address by Rev. E. N. Kirk of the Mount Vernon Church. Rev. G. W. Blagden, D.D., Rev. Edward Beecher, D.D., Rev. Andrew L. Stone, and Rev. A. C. Thompson of Roxbury, also participated in the exercises. On Feb. 29, 1852, the house was so far completed, that the society commenced worshipping in the large lecture-room; and stated worship was held there till the dedication of the house, on Thursday evening, November 18, 1852. The dedication sermon was

preached by Rev. N. Adams, D.D., pastor of Essex-street Church.

Oct. 25, 1853, the church and society united in a call to Rev. CHARLES SMITH of Andover, and he was installed Dec. 8; sermon by Rev. E. N. Kirk, D.D. During Mr. Smith's ministry, one hundred and ninety-eight were added to the church; and he was dismissed Nov. 8, 1858.

June 14, 1860, the church and society, by unanimous vote, extended a call to Rev. EDWIN B. WEBB of Augusta, Me.; and he was installed Oct. 5. The sermon of installation was preached by Rev. Prof. Shepard of Bangor, Me.

Soon after Mr. Webb's settlement, the church-edifice was found inadequate to the wants of the congregation; and, after several meetings of the society, they voted, Jan. 19, 1863, to erect a new meeting-house. Having made sale of their property on Shawmut Avenue, and purchased land on the corner of Tremont and Brookline Streets, ground was broken for the present commodious house of worship, Feb. 10, 1863. The corner-stone was laid June 17, and the house was dedicated Feb. 11, 1864. The pastor preached an appropriate sermon on the occasion, and other city pastors took part in the service.

On the 20th of November, 1870, the church celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. Rev. George A. Oviatt of Talcottville, Conn., occupied the pulpit in the morning, and preached an interesting historical sermon, choosing for his text Matt. xv. 31, 32. He alluded to the small beginnings of the church, and the character of its founders, and declared, that as he recalled the foundations, and beheld the magnitude of the present structure, he was led to exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" He urged

the church to preserve the integrity of its creed, and to perpetuate its early missionary spirit.

In the evening, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Webb, preached a discourse from Exod. xiii. 3, in which he related the more important facts in the history of the church, dwelling particularly upon the ten years of his own ministry in connection with it. While rejoicing over what had already been accomplished, he urged his people to labor and pray yet more earnestly for the prosperity of their Jerusalem, and to seek a deeper and broader Christian life. The church-edifice was tastefully decorated with festoons of evergreens and rare flowers.

Upon the following Friday evening, Dea. S. C. Wilkins presided at the conference-meeting, and Rev. Mr. Oviatt, F. D. Stedman, Philip S. Page, Dea. R. H. Stearns, Joseph H. Gray, and Rev. Dr. Webb presented pleasing reminiscences of the past.





ECCLESIASTICAL PRINCIPLES AND RULES.

I. *Rights of the Church.* — This church is independent, so far as relates to its internal organization and the regulation of its affairs. It is amenable to no other ecclesiastical body, except by its own consent, or according to regular and established Congregational principles. With these exceptions, it controls the admission, discipline, and removal of its members, according to its own understanding of the Word of God.

II. *Connection with other Churches.* — This church will extend to other evangelical Congregational churches, and receive from them, that fellowship, advice, and assistance which the law of Christ requires. It will extend the usual rights of communion, and practise a mutual transfer of members, according to its own convictions of duty. It holds itself bound to regard the decisions of regular mutual councils, and to seek the promotion of peace with all the churches of our Lord.

III. *Transfer of Members.* — The church will examine those who apply for admission from other churches.

 It is expected that members of other churches who may wish to commune with this church for more than one year will request a removal of their connection to us, unless they give satisfactory reasons for delay to the examining committee.

Members who remove to other places, or worship and commune with other churches, are required to procure letters of dismission and recommendation from this church within one year from the time of leaving us, unless for further delay they shall satisfy the examining committee.

Appended to every letter of dismission is a blank certificate, to be filled and returned to us after the person shall have united with another church. No member will be considered discharged until this certificate, properly filled out, has been returned to the clerk. Application for letters of dismission (see blank form on last page) should in every case be in writing, and will lay over one week after presented for final action.

IV. *Annual Report of Membership.* — It shall be the duty of the clerk, with a committee of three, to be annually appointed, to report to the church at the annual meeting the names of all its members, indicating the additions, dismissions, deaths, excommunications, or suspensions, also the names of such members as have changed their place of residence or worship, and the time absent.

V. *Rights of Members.* — Every member has a right to church-privileges, unless forfeited by misconduct ; and, when thus forfeited, he can be deprived of them only by regular process. When accused, he has a right to know the explicit charges, and to have an open and candid hearing. No vote of censure shall be passed upon any member except by the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present at a regular meeting.

VI. *Duties of the Church and its Members.* — It is the duty of the church and its members to consult and seek the concurrence of their pastor in matters of discipline and internal regulations. It is the duty of the members to attend such stated meetings as are appointed by the church, unless providentially prevented. Any member having cause of complaint against another should immediately seek to have it removed in a Christian manner, as directed in Matt. xviii. 15, 16, 17. Any member wishing to withdraw from this to another church should signify his wishes and his reasons, and apply in a proper spirit to be first released from his obligations to this church. Any other mode of withdrawing will be deemed irregular and censurable.

VII. *Censurable Offences.* — This church considers immoral conduct, breach of express covenant-vows, neglect of acknowledged religious or relative duties, and avowed disbelief of the articles of faith to which the members have assented, as offences subject to the censure of the church.

VIII. *Censures.* — The censures inflicted on offenders are private reproof, public admonition, suspension from

church-privileges, or excommunication, according to the aggravation of the offence.

IX. *Permanent Officers.* — The permanent officers of this church are the pastor or the pastors, and six deacons. The pastor shall be a member of this church, and to him pertains the office of moderator. No person shall hold the office of deacon more than six years without a re-election. At every annual meeting, there shall be an election of one deacon; it being understood that the term of one incumbent shall expire annually, according to seniority of appointment. It shall be the duty of the deacons to preside in the absence of the pastor, to assist in the administration of the Lord's Supper, and to aid the pastor generally in the spiritual care of the flock, and, in his absence, to provide a supply for the pulpit.

X. *Annual Officers and Standing Committees.* — At the Annual Meeting for business, the following and all other necessary officers shall be chosen for the ensuing year: First, a Clerk, who shall keep a record of the church; second, a Treasurer, who shall take charge of all moneys collected by the church for religious and benevolent purposes, forward the same to their specific objects, and make a written report of the same at the Annual Meeting; third, an Examining Committee, of which the pastor, deacons, and clerk shall constitute a part, who shall examine all applicants for admission, and present a written report of the names of such as they approve, also to act as a Committee of Inquiry and Discipline; fourth, two Auditors, whose duty it shall be to audit the Treasurer's accounts, and report thereon at the Annual

Meeting ; fifth, a Committee of six Collectors, of whom the Treasurer shall be chairman.

XI. *Officers of the Sabbath and Mission Schools.*— There shall be chosen at the Annual Meeting such officers as the church from time to time shall decide to be necessary for the proper management of the sabbath and mission schools ; and the church shall furnish such means as their interests may require.

XII. *Committee of the Sabbath Schools.*— There shall be chosen annually a committee of not exceeding five, who shall exercise a general supervisory care over the interests of the sabbath and mission schools, not involving interference with the appropriate duties of the superintendents or teachers ; and shall visit the schools at least once a month to afford any advice or assistance that may seem proper ; and shall, in connection with the superintendents and pastor, devise such ways and means as may be deemed expedient for replenishing the library, and meeting such other expenses as may not have been provided for by the annual appropriation of the church ; and render such assistance in all respects as the interests of the schools demand.

XIII. *Report on Sabbath Schools.*— The superintendents, with the committee of the sabbath schools, shall make in each year, at the Annual Meeting of the church, a report containing a condensed statement of the condition of the sabbath and mission schools during the year, the number of teachers and scholars in each school, average attendance, the subjects taught or question-

books used, the number of conversions in the schools during the year, the number of volumes in the library, the amount of money contributed in the schools and the disposition thereof, and such other facts or suggestions as in their opinion may indicate the condition and prospects of the schools.

XIV. *Delegates to Councils and Conferences.* — Whenever the church is to be represented in councils or conferences, delegates, primary and substitute, shall be elected, who shall report their doings at the Friday evening meeting next succeeding the termination of the council or conference.

XV. *Offices vacated.* — When any officer of the church shall cease regularly to worship with us, the church may declare his office vacated.

XVI. *Approval of Records.* — The Examining Committee shall, at its first meeting after each communion, examine the records of the doings of the church for the two months preceding said meeting, and, if found correct, shall approve them ; and the Chairman shall, after the last entry examined by them, write "Approved," and sign his name as chairman.

XVII. *Standing Rules.* — 1. All meetings for business shall be opened with prayer.

2. The Annual Meeting for the choice of officers and standing committees shall be in January, at such times as the pastors and deacons shall appoint.

3. All officers and standing committees, except the Committee of Collectors, shall be chosen by ballot.

4. Candidates for admission are to stand propounded to the church at least three weeks ; and notice shall be given to the congregation of such as are expected to make a profession, at least two weeks previous to admission.

5. All persons admitted to the church shall be required to sign our confession of faith and covenant.

6. The church will observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the first sabbath of each alternate month ; viz., January, March, May, July, September, and November.

7. At each communion season, a contribution shall be taken to be appropriated for indigent members of the church, and for incidental expenses, under the direction of the deacons.

8. Expenses of pastor and delegates attending ecclesiastical councils may be defrayed by the church, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise specifically appropriated.

9. The church meet on Friday evening for devotional exercises and religious conference, to promote their growth in Christian knowledge and grace, and for the transaction of any business which may properly come before them.

XVIII. *Alterations.* — No alterations shall be made in the foregoing principles and rules, unless at a regular meeting of the church, such having been proposed at the next regular meeting previous, and by a vote of three-fourths of the members present.



FORM OF ADMISSION.

ADDRESS.

BELoved FRIENDS, — You have presented yourselves before God and this assembly to make a solemn confession of your religious faith, and to take upon you the bonds of the everlasting covenant. We trust that you have duly considered the nature of the profession you are about to make, — the most solemn and momentous in which a mortal can engage, — and that, by divine grace, you will walk in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.

Having examined and assented to the articles of faith adopted by this church, you will now profess the same before these witnesses.

CONFESSION OF FAITH.

ARTICLE I. — We believe there is one only living and true God, the Creator, Preserver, and Governor of the universe; a being self-existent and immutable, infinite in power, wisdom, justice, goodness, truth, and mercy.

Deut. vi. 4: Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord.

Gal. iii. 20: . . . God is one.

Deut. iv. 35: Unto thee it was showed, that thou mightest know that the Lord he is God: there is none else beside him.

Isa. xlv. 6: Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel, and his Redeemer the Lord of hosts: I am the first, and I am the last; and besides me there is no God.

Matt. iv. 10: . . . Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

1 Thess. i. 9: . . . And how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God.

Jer. x. 10: But the Lord is the true God, he is the living God . . .

Eccl. xii. 1: Remember now thy Creator . . .

Isa. xl. 28: . . . The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth . . .

Heb. iii. 4: For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God.

Job vii. 20: I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou Preserver of men? . . .

Acts xvii. 28: For in Him we live, and move, and have our being . . .

Ps. xxii. 28: For the kingdom is the Lord's; and he is the Governor among the nations.

1 Tim. vi. 15: . . . Who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Exod. iii. 14: And God said unto Moses, I AM that I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

John v. 26: For as the Father hath life in himself, so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself.

Job xxiii. 13: But He is in one mind, and who can turn him? and what his soul desireth, even that He doeth.

Mal. iii. 6: For I am the Lord, I change not: therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

James i. 17: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Gen. xvii. 1: . . . I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

Rev. xix. 6: . . . the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

Ps. civ. 24: O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all . . .

Rom. xi. 33, 34: Oh the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor?

Col. ii. 2: . . . The mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ.

Job xxxvii. 23: Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power and in judgment, and in plenty of justice . . .

Rev. xv. 3: . . . Just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.

Exod. xxxiv. 6 : And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, The Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth.

2 Pet. iii. 9 : . . . But is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Deut. xxxii. 4 : He is the Rock, his work is perfect ; for all his ways are judgment : a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

Ps. xxv. 6 : Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving-kindnesses ; for they have been ever of old.

Luke vi. 36 : Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

ART. 2. — We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God ; that they contain a complete and harmonious system of divine truth, and are the only perfect rule of Christian faith and practice.

2 Tim. iii. 16 : All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

2 Pet. i. 21 : For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man ; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

Rev. xxii. 18, 19 : For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book :

And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

ART. 3. — We believe that God is revealed in the Scriptures as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one, and in all divine attributes equal.

Gen. i. 26 : And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. . . .

Matt xxviii. 19 : Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

2 Cor. xiii. 14 : The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

John i. 18 : No man hath seen God at any time : the only-begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

Heb. i. 8 : But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever : a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

1 Tim. iii. 16 : And without controversy, great is the mystery of godliness : God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

Acts v. 3, 4 : But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost . . . thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

ART. 4. — We believe that God made all things for himself ; that he governs all things according to his unchangeable counsel ; and that the principles and administration of his government are perfectly holy, just, and good.

Rom. xi. 36 : For of Him, and through Him, and to Him are all things : to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Rev. iv. 11 : Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power ; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Acts iv. 27, 28 : For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,

For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.

Luke xxii. 22 : And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined . . .

Ps. xviii. 30 : As for God, his way is perfect : the word of the Lord is tried : he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

Ps. xcvi. 2 : . . . Righteousness and judgment are the habitation of his throne.

Rom. vii. 12 : Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

ART. 5. — We believe our first parents were originally holy ; that they fell from that perfect state by sinning against God ; and that, in consequence of their apostasy, all mankind are by nature without holiness, and alienated from God, until their hearts are renewed by the Holy Spirit.

Gen. i. 27 : So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him ; male and female created he them.

Eccl. vii. 29 : Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright ; but they have sought out many inventions.

Rom. v. 11: Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.

Ps. li. 5: Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Rom. viii. 7, 8: Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be:

So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Eph. ii. 3: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Col. i. 12, 13: Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

ART. 6. — We believe that Christ, being God manifest in the flesh, has, by his sufferings and death, made an atonement for sin, so that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. But such is the aversion of man to the terms of salvation, that none comply with them, without the special influences of the Holy Spirit.

John i. 1, 14: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Phil. ii. 6, 7: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men.

Rom. iii. 25, 26: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

1 Pet. i. 18, 19: Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

John iii. 16: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Acts xiii. 38, 39 : Be it known unto you, therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins ;

And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Tit. iii. 5, 6 : Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost ;

Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

ART. 7.—We believe that those who repent of sin and embrace the gospel were chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world ; that they should become heirs of eternal life through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth ; that nothing can separate true believers from the love of God, but that they will be kept by his power through faith unto salvation.

Eph. i. 4 : According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love.

1 Pet. i. 2 ; Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ : Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

2 Thess. ii. 13 : But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.

Rom. viii. 30 : Moreover, whom he did predestinate, them he also called ; and whom he called, them he also justified ; and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Isa. xliii. 2 : When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee ; and through the rivers they shall not overflow thee : when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned ; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

John x. 27, 28 : My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me :

And I give unto them eternal life ; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

Phil. i. 6 : Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

1 Pet. i. 5 : Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 John ii. 19 : They went out from us, but they were not of us ; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us ; but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

ART. 8. — We believe that in this world the Lord Jesus Christ has a visible church; the terms of membership in which are repentance toward God, and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ; and that a conscientious attendance upon public, family, and private worship, and the habitual practice of righteousness, temperance, sobriety, and truth, are essential to Christian character.

1 Cor. i. 2: Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours.

1 Pet. ii. 9: But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Acts iii. 19; Repent ye, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.

Acts xx. 21: Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gal. iii. 26: For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Ps. xcvi. 8, 9: Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.

Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

Neh. viii. 8: So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

Acts xiii. 14: But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.

Acts xviii. 4: And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

1 Cor. i. 21: For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

Acts x. 2: A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always.

Acts xvi. 32: And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

Heb. x. 25: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Matt. xviii. 20: For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Matt. vi. 6: But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when

thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret ; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

Eph. iv 15 : But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.

2 Pet. i. 5, 6, 7 : And besides this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue ; and to virtue, knowledge ;

And to knowledge, temperance ; and to temperance, patience ; and to patience, godliness ;

And to godliness, brotherly-kindness ; and to brotherly-kindness, charity.

ART. 9. — We believe that the sacraments of the New Testament are Baptism and the Lord's Supper ; Baptism to be administered only to covenanting believers and their households : and the Supper only to members of the visible Church in regular standing.

Matt. xxviii. 19 : Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Acts ii. 41 : Then they that gladly received his word were baptized ; and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Acts ii. 39 : For the promise is unto and to your children . . .

1 Cor. vii. 14 : For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband : else were your children unclean ; but now are they holy.

Acts xvi. 33 : And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes ; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

1 Cor. i. 16 ; And I baptized also the household of Stephanas . . .

2 Cor. vi. 17 : Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord . . .

1 Cor. xi. 28 : But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

1 Cor. xi. 26 : For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come.

Ps. l. 16 : But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth ?

ART. 10. — We believe there will be a general resurrection of the bodies, both of the just and the unjust, and a day of judgment ; when all must give account to Christ of the deeds done in the body ; when the

impenitent will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal.

Heb. ix. 27 : And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.

Acts xxiv. 15 : And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

2 Cor. v. 10 : For we must all appear before the judgment-seat of Christ ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

John v. 28, 29 : Marvel not at this ; for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

And shall come forth ; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life ; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Matt. xxv. 34 : Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

Matt. xxv. 41 : Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the Devil and his angels.

Matt. xxv. 46 : And these shall go away into everlasting punishment ; but the righteous into life eternal.

THE COVENANT.

IN the presence of God, his holy angels, and this assembly, you do now solemnly avouch the Lord Jehovah — Father, Son, and Holy Ghost — to be your God, the object of your supreme affection, and your portion forever. You cordially acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ in all his mediatorial offices, — Prophet, Priest, and King, — as your only Saviour, and the Holy Spirit as your Sanctifier, Comforter, and Guide. You humbly and cheerfully devote yourselves to God in the everlasting covenant of his grace, consecrating all your powers and faculties to his service and glory ; and you promise, that, through the assistance of his Spirit, you will cleave to him as your chief good ; that you will give diligent attendance to his Word and ordinances ; that

you will seek the honor and interest of his kingdom ; and that henceforth, denying all ungodliness and every wordly lust, you will live soberly, righteously, and godly in the world. You also join yourselves to this church, engaging to submit to the rules of ecclesiastical government and discipline which it has adopted ; to strive earnestly for its peace, edification, and purity ; and to walk with its members in charity, faithfulness, circumspection, meekness, and sobriety.

This you severally profess and engage.

In consequence of these professions and engagements, we (the members of this church) affectionately receive you to our communion, and in the name of Christ declare you entitled to all its privileges : we welcome you to this fellowship with us in the blessings of the gospel, and on our part engage to watch over you, and seek your edification, so long as you continue with us.

And now, beloved in the Lord, you have assumed solemn obligations from which you can never escape. Wherever you go, these vows will be upon you : they will follow you to the bar of God, and abide upon you through eternity. You have entered into a covenant with God, from which no created being can ever release you ; neither shall any separate you from the rewards of its faithful observance.

Hereafter the eyes of the world will be upon you, and as you demean yourself, so religion will be honored or dishonored. If you walk worthily of your profession, you will be a credit and a comfort to us ; but, if other-

wise, you will be an occasion of grief and reproach. But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things which accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

May the Lord guide and preserve you till death, and at last receive you and us to that blessed world where our love and joy shall be forever perfect ! Amen.





MEMBERS OF SHAWMUT CHURCH.

Those names marked with an asterisk (*) are of persons deceased; those with an obelisk (†), of persons dismissed to other churches; those with an *e*, of persons excommunicated.

ORIGINAL MEMBERS, NOV. 20, 1845.

† George A. Oviatt, <i>Pastor</i>	.	.	<i>Yale College Church.</i>
* Mrs. Martha Ann Oviatt	.	<i>Cong. Church, Belchertown.</i>	
Joseph Johnson	.	.	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Salome Johnson	.	.	"
Albert Day	.	.	"
Mrs. Mary C. Day	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
Samuel C. Wilkins	.	.	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Clara B. Wilkins	.	.	"
<i>e</i> George W. Allan	.	.	"
Mrs. Mary Ann Allan	.	.	"
Eben L. Brown	.	.	"
† Asa Day	.	.	"
† Mrs. Mary Day	.	.	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Mary D. Gibbs	.	.	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Joseph Horr	.	.	"
† Esther W. Horr	.	.	"
* Walter W. Homer	.	.	"
† Joseph B. Johnson	.	.	"
* Robert Loveday	.	.	"
* Elizabeth Loveday	.	.	"
† Mrs. Mary Ann Mellow	.	.	"

* Mrs. Eusebia Ripley . . .	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
e John Wilson . . .	"
† George Alden . . .	<i>Central Church.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth A. Alden . . .	"
† Charles D. Cole . . .	"
† Mrs. Mary S. Cole . . .	"
John W. F. Hobbs . . .	"
* Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hobbs . . .	"
† Mrs. Sarah A. Hanson . . .	"
† Mrs. Mary B. Jeffers . . .	"
* Mrs. Rebecca A. Dickerman . . .	<i>Messiah Church.</i>
† William Jones . . .	"
† Mrs. Almira B. Jones . . .	"
Maria Howland . . .	<i>Salem-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Ann McDougall . . .	"
† Mrs. Martha R. Sprague . . .	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
† Wolcott Hamlin . . .	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Simon D. Dyer . . .	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Phebe Hollis . . .	<i>Phillips Church.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth B. Caffin . . .	<i>Eliot Church, Roxbury.</i>
† Mrs. Charlotte H. Griffin . . .	" "
† Mrs. Nancy M. Bellows . . .	<i>Second Cong. Ch., Cohasset.</i>
† Mrs. Rhoda Lawrence . . .	<i>Congregational Ch., Concord.</i>
† Mrs. Caroline Morris . . .	<i>Cong. Ch., Adrian, Mich.</i>
† Charles F. Rand . . .	<i>First Cong. Ch., Keene, N. H.</i>
* George A. Bellows . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
* Mrs. Serena Brown . . .	"
† Mrs. Sophia A. Baxter . . .	"
Caroline J. Wright . . .	"

ADMISSIONS TO THE CHURCH.

JANUARY, 1846.

* Rebecca A. Dickerman . . .	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Mahalah Lewis . . .	<i>Third Christian Church.</i>

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† Mrs. Mary Fletcher . . . *Third Christian Church.*
e Frederick Williams . . . *On profession.*

MARCH, 1846.

* Mrs. Elizabeth Jones . . . *Central Church.*
* Mrs. Apphia Eastman . . . *High-street Ch., Portland, Me.*
† Mrs. Frances S. Hancock . . . *On profession.*

MAY, 1846.

Charles P. Huggins . . . *First Free Church.*
† David Balcom . . . *Cong. Ch., Foxborough.*
* Mrs. Lois Farrell . . . *Cong. Ch., Alstead, N. H.*

JULY, 1846.

† James V. Poor . . . *Cong. Ch., Paris, Me.*
† Mrs. Rachael S. Poor . . . " "
* Ruth Ross . . . *Cong. Ch., Lyme, N. H.*
* Charles G. Young . . . *On profession.*
† Mrs. Hannah S. Young . . . "

NOVEMBER, 1846.

† George S. Wheelwright . . . *Cong. Ch., Chelsea.*
† Mrs. Lydia B. Wheelwright . . . " "
* John Paul . . . *Pine-street Church.*
† Mrs. Sarah S. Paul . . . "
† Philip S. Page . . . *Salem-street Church.*
† Mrs. Hannah M. Page . . . "
† Elmer B. Thompson . . . *Cong. Ch., Westborough.*
† Mrs. Martha B. Thompson . . . " "
* Abba Clifford . . . *Cong. Ch., Edgecomb, Me.*

JANUARY, 1847.

Mrs. Mary Berry . . . *First Pres. Ch., Greenbush, N. Y.*
Joseph Lincoln, jun. . . *First Free Cong. Church.*
Mrs. Elizabeth Lincoln . . . "

† M. S. Dodd	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Clarissa Simonds	<i>Church of the Pilgrims.</i>

MARCH, 1847.

† Eliza Ann Allan	<i>Cong. Ch., Lubec, Me.</i>
Mrs. Sarah H. Waite	<i>On profession.</i>
e William H. Davis	"

MAY, 1847.

Mrs. Lydia Farrar	<i>First Free-Will Baptist Church.</i>
† Mrs. Ellen M. Stevens	<i>Cong. Ch., Plymouth, N. H.</i>
† Norman C. Stevens	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mary Ann Wright	"
William E. Waite	"
William J. Warren	"
Moses P. Griffin	"
Maria Ripley	"
† Mary Haskell	"
† Mrs. Esther Wilson	"
† Mary Weston	"

JULY, 1847.

† Mrs. Adeline Burnett	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Eliza A. Anderson	<i>Cong. Ch., Merrimack, N. H.</i>
Mrs. Eliza W. Dinsmore	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
* Charlotte Rowe	<i>On profession.</i>
Eliza Hilton	"

NOVEMBER, 1847.

* Samuel W. Haley	<i>Bethesda Cong. Ch., Charlestown.</i>
† Mrs. Charlotte G. Haley	" "
* Rosella N. Haley	" "
* Mrs. Jane Bennett	<i>On profession.</i>

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MARCH, 1848.

- † E. H. Bascom . . . *Second Cong. Ch., Biddeford, Me.*
- † Mrs. Sarah A. Bascom " "
- † Mrs. Lucy Rice . . . *Payson Church.*
- † Nancy McC. Murdock . . . *St. Paul's Church.*
- † Mrs. Isabella G. Oviatt . . . *Park-street Church.*

MAY, 1848.

- Gardner Edmands . . . *Pine-street Church.*
- * Mrs. Mary A. Edmands . . . *Cong. Ch., Sherburne.*
- Mrs. Sarah H. Smith . . . *Cong. Ch., Nantucket.*

JULY, 1848.

- Mrs. Sarah Somerby . . . *Salem-street Church.*

SEPTEMBER, 1848.

- † Mrs. Mary M. Woodward . . . *Pine-street Church.*
- Patrick O'Brien *Ref. Dutch Ch., Middletown Vill., N. J.*
- Mrs. Mary L. O'Brien " "

NOVEMBER, 1848.

- * David Hamblen . . . *Methodist Epis. Ch., Wellfleet.*
- Asa Nute . . . *Cong. Ch., Woodstock, Vt.*
- Mrs. Lucinda Nute . . . " "
- † William H. Burbeck *Cong. Ch., Dart. Coll., Hanover, N. H.*
- † Mrs. Sarah C. Burbeck " " "
- † Mrs. Sarah Shedd . . . *Cong. Ch., Cambridge.*

MARCH, 1849.

- † Susan Farrington . . . *Salem-street Church.*
- † Caroline E. Vose . . . *On profession.*

In May, 1849, the church adopted the name of the
 "SHAWMUT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH."

JANUARY, 1850.

† Rev. William C. Foster	<i>First Cong. Ch., Hanover, N. H.</i>
* Mrs. Mary Ann Foster	<i>Cong. Ch., Cuyahoga Falls, O.</i>
† Alexander Sellars	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Angeline Hamblen	<i>On profession.</i>
Eliza Vose	"

JULY, 1850.

† George Pollock	<i>Broadway Tabernacle Ch., New York.</i>
† Mrs. Fanny Pollock	" "
† Deik Arnaud,	<i>Anheim Church, Holland.</i>
† Mrs. Louisa Arnaud	" "
* Abba Lamson	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Louis Monto	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mrs. Mary Monto	"
e Samuel N. Thompson	"
e Mrs. Mary Ann Thompson	"
† Joseph H. Washburn	"
† Edwin A. Paul	"
Ezra O. F. Farrar	"
† John De Huff	"
Mrs. Abigail Gaylord	"
Mrs. Sarah C. Gardner	"
† Mrs. Eliza J. Williams	"
* Mrs. Mary J. Thompson	"
† Mrs. Hepsibah D. Lyon	"
Elizabeth J. Mackintosh	"
† Louisa M. Hartwell	"
† Mary H. Emery	"
† Sarah F. Davenport	"

NOVEMBER, 1850.

† Noah Davis	<i>Evangelical Ch., Brighton.</i>
† Mrs. Emeline E. Davis	" "

† William Swinton	<i>Associate Reformed Church.</i>
† Mrs. Swinton	"
† Sarah Porter	<i>On profession.</i>
† Martha McL. Forbes	"

JANUARY, 1851.

Mrs. Caroline Brown	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mrs. Ellen A. De Huff	"

MARCH, 1851.

† Moses B. Brigham	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Mary C. Gaffield	<i>Cong. Ch., Seabrook, N.H.</i>
* Mrs. Sarah Douglass	<i>Church of the Pilgrims.</i>
* Mrs. Margaret A. Sanborn	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† D. E. Arnaud	<i>On profession.</i>

MAY, 1851.

† Mrs. Almira E. Brigham	<i>On profession.</i>
Elvira Washburn	"

MAY, 1852.

† Nathan P. Lamson	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth C. Lamson	<i>Third Cong. Ch., Plymouth.</i>
* Rebecca H. Foster	<i>Salem-street Church.</i>

NOVEMBER, 1852.

† Joseph H. Eayrs	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Mary C. Eayrs	"
† Francis H. Caffin	<i>On profession.</i>

JANUARY, 1853.

* Mrs. Thankful Green	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
Nathan G. Green	"
† Mary E. Fessenden	"
† Leister M. Clark	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>

MAY, 1853.

- † Nicholson Broughton, jun. *Mount Vernon Church.*
 † Mrs. Aravesta S. Broughton "
 John Batterman *Pine-street Church.*
 Mrs. Paulina B. Batterman "
 † Mrs. Hannah B. Reed *Fourth Cong. Ch., Providence, R.I.*
 † Samuel S. Tower *Church of the Pilgrims.*
 Benjamin S. Shumway *Pine-street Church.*
 Mrs. Caroline O. Shumway *First Cong. Ch., Oxford.*
 † Charles H. Langdon *North Ch., Hartford, Conn.*
 * Mrs. Augusta L. Langdon " "
 Mrs. Polly B. Neal *Cong. Ch., Southington, Conn.*
 † Mrs. Sarah Ann Perkins *Park-street Church.*
 * Ira Greenwood *Central Church.*
 Mrs. Hannah Greenwood "

JANUARY, 1854.

- * Mrs. Anna G. Lamson *Pine-street Church.*
 Nathan Morse *Cong. Ch., Moultonborough, N.H.*
 Mrs. Sarah A. D. Morse *Bowdoin-street Church.*
 † Aaron Sweet *First Evangel. Ch., Cambridgeport.*
 † Mary C. Sweet " "
 † Sarah L. Wright " "

MARCH, 1854.

- † Rev. Charles Smith, *Pastor* *Cong. Ch., Hatfield.*
 † Mrs. Caroline L. Smith *South Cong. Ch., Andover.*
 † Waitstill Hastings *Cong. Ch., Springfield.*
 † Mrs. Hannah S. Hastings *Essex-street Church.*
 † Mrs. Anna M. Hobart *Pine-street Church.*
 † William Fox Richardson *Original Ch., Wrentham.*
 † Mrs. Cornelia B. Richardson " "

MAY, 1854.

- Mrs. Mary L. Merrill *Old South Church.*
 † Mrs. Jane G. Peters *Central Church.*

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Frederick Jones	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Maria S. Jones	"
* Mrs. Anna W. Deane	<i>Second Ch., Dorchester.</i>
Mrs. Maria Kinstler	<i>On profession.</i>

JULY, 1854.

Mrs. Mary Pycott	<i>Methodist Ch., Portland.</i>
† Thomas S. Pycott	<i>Park-street Church.</i>

JANUARY, 1855.

Mrs. Emeline Babcock	<i>Kirk-street Ch., Lowell.</i>
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MARCH, 1855.

† Mrs. Emily Eayrs	<i>Cong. Ch., Pembroke, N.H.</i>
e Mrs. Harriet T. Baker	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Lydia Cole	<i>First Ch., Charlestown.</i>
† John H. Comer	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
† John G. Broughton	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Susan R. Comer	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mary E. Eayrs	"

MAY, 1855.

† Alvin Smith	<i>Cong. Ch., Enfield.</i>
† Mrs. Clarissa Smith	" "
† Ellen Brazer	<i>Kirk-street Ch., Lowell.</i>
† Lucia Sanborn	<i>On profession.</i>

JULY, 1855.

† William L. Greene	<i>Second Cong. Ch., Cambridgeport.</i>
* Mrs. Lucinda Henderson	<i>Church of the Pilgrims.</i>
† Lucy M. Clesby	<i>On profession.</i>

SEPTEMBER, 1855.

† Charles C. Foote	<i>Presbyterian Ch., Brockport, N.Y.</i>
Emerson Leland	<i>On profession.</i>

Mrs. Mary Ann Leland	<i>On profession.</i>
Charles W. Wilkins	"
† Francis P. Sweet	"
† Oliver S. Brown	"
† Francis B. Felt	"
† Edwin R. Jones	"
† Mary N. Weekes	"
Emma F. Knight (Mrs. Smith)	"
† Margaret Batterman	"

NOVEMBER, 1855.

e Jane P. Titcomb	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
Lydia P. Green	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Susan A. Wilson	"
Harriet E. Sanborn	"
† Emily M. Dill	"
Sarah Cleves	"
Charles E. Huggins	"

JANUARY, 1856.

† D. L. Locke	<i>Second Cong. Ch., Cambridgeport.</i>
† Ellen E. Batterman	<i>On profession.</i>
† Matilda M. Halstrick	"
* Margaret A. McLoud	"
† Almira A. Hines	"
† Hannah E. French (Mrs. Gardner)	"

MARCH, 1856.

† Charles F. Rand	<i>South Evangel. Ch., West Roxbury.</i>
† Mrs. Mary B. Rand	"
* Edward W. Hutchins	"
† Mrs. Emily E. Hutchins	"
Mary E. Perkins	<i>On profession.</i>
† Celia E. Bacon	"
* Jane M. Jones	"

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MAY, 1856.

† Archelaus Wilson	<i>Franklin-street Ch., Manchester, N.H.</i>
† Mrs. Julia H. Wilson	" "
Stephen Prince	<i>First Ch., Oxford.</i>
Mrs. Rebecca M. Prince . .	" "
Mrs. Marianna Carruth . .	<i>Second Ch., Dorchester.</i>
Mrs. Eliza S. Ridgway . .	<i>Old South Ch., Worcester.</i>

JULY, 1856.

† Aaron Kimball	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
† Mrs. Sarah R. Kimball . .	"
Joseph H. Gray	"
Mrs. Maria L. Gray	"
* James Bryden	"
Mrs. Isabella C. Bryden . .	"
Stevens G. Palmer	"
† Mrs. Julia W. Locke . . .	"
† Daniel McCaw	<i>First Pres. Ch., Tariffville, Conn.</i>
† Horatio G. K. Calef	<i>Edwards Church.</i>
† Archibald Carruthers . .	<i>Hedding Methodist Church.</i>
* Martin L. Gates	<i>Old South Church.</i>
Mrs. Anna G. Gates	<i>On profession.</i>
* Mrs. Susan C. Siders . . .	"
Mrs. Adeline Woodcock . .	<i>Cong. Ch., Dover, N.H.</i>

SEPTEMBER, 1856.

Leister M. Clark	<i>Mather Ch., Jamaica Plain.</i>
Mrs. Maria J. Clark	" "
† Rev. E. D. Moore	" "
† Mrs. E. D. Moore	" "
* Mrs. Elizabeth Lyon	<i>Central Church.</i>
† Sarah H. Pitcher	<i>Cong. Ch., Westminster, Vt.</i>
* Sarah C. Wheelwright . .	<i>Salem-street Church.</i>
Seth Robinson	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Elmira F. Robinson . .	"

Abigail Ewell . . .	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
Mary A. Farnsworth . .	"
† John C. Pilsbury . . .	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth Pilsbury . .	"
† Mrs. Margaret Calef . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
† Sarah L. Hawes . . .	"
† Charlotte B. Moore . . .	"

NOVEMBER, 1856.

† S. Ingersoll Lovett . .	<i>Harvard Ch., Brookline.</i>
† Mrs. Susan M. Lovett . .	" "
† Augustine S. Bemis . . .	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
† Mrs. Ophelia L. Bemis . .	"

JANUARY, 1857.

† Mrs. Eliza P. Mace . . .	<i>Cong. Ch., Pepperell.</i>
† Edward L. Tead . . .	<i>Old South Church.</i>
† Mrs. Lucretia H. Tead . .	"
* Francis W. R. Emery . . .	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Susan D. W. Emery . .	"

MARCH, 1857.

* John C. Proctor . . .	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
* Mrs. Nancy Proctor . . .	"
Lucy Proctor . . .	"
Harriet S. Proctor . . .	"
Abby M. Butler . . .	"
Francis T. Roberts	<i>Bromfield-street Methodist Church.</i>

MAY, 1857.

Richard H. Stearns . . .	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Louisa M. Stearns . .	"
† Mrs. Isabella Barton . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
† Helen Eayer . . .	"
† Edward H. Winslow . . .	"
† William C. Winslow . . .	"

JULY, 1857.

† Benjamin F. Burgess . . .	<i>Eliot Ch., Newton.</i>
† Mrs. Sarah B. Burgess . . .	“ “
† Benjamin F. Burgess, jun. . .	“ “
† Reuben R. Gaffield . . .	<i>Bethel Ch., Mobile, Ala.</i>
† A. P. Nash . . .	<i>Cong. Ch., North Weymouth.</i>
* Mrs. Rachel B. Nash . . .	<i>Salem-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth Litchfield . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
Lucetta A. Eastman . . .	“
† Amelia Albert . . .	“
† Ellery Riddell . . .	“

SEPTEMBER, 1857.

Charles F. Thayer . . .	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Mary J. Thayer . . .	<i>Cong. Ch., Middleborough.</i>
† Samuel H. Safford . . .	<i>Cong. Ch., Manchester.</i>
† Mrs. Lucretia B. Safford . . .	“ “
Mrs. Caroline Robinson . . .	<i>High-street Ch., Lowell.</i>
† Eliza Francis . . .	<i>Free-Will Baptist Church.</i>
† James H. Merriam . . .	<i>Central Church.</i>
Lucinda A. Tappan . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mary Ellen Grush . . .	“
† Martha E. Pillsbury . . .	“

NOVEMBER, 1857.

* Mrs. Zoa A. Minot . . .	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Susan L. Christy . . .	<i>Cong. Ch., Morristown, N.H.</i>
† Joel H. Smith . . .	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Elizabeth L. Smith . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth C. Field . . .	“
† Mrs. Susan Payson . . .	“
† Mrs. Esther A. Wheelock . . .	“
† Mrs. Mary Ann Greenleaf . . .	“
Sarah E. Robinson . . .	“
† William B. Robinson . . .	“

JANUARY, 1858.

W. L. G. Hunt	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Augusta W. Hunt	"
† Perley Morse, jun.	<i>First Cong. Ch., Detroit, Mich.</i>
† Jerusha A. Morse	" "
† Mary L. Morse	" "
† Anne M. Macdonnell	<i>Zion Ch., Montreal, Canada.</i>
† Benjamin E. Walcott	<i>First Cong. Ch., Springfield.</i>
† Mrs. Julia M. Walcott	" "
† Mrs. Caroline Prescott Reed	<i>On profession.</i>

MARCH, 1858.

Mrs. Martha A. Jellison	<i>Cong. Ch., Bangor, Me.</i>
† Mrs. Mary L. Mason	<i>Second Pres. Ch., Cincinnati, O.</i>
† Mrs. Elizabeth Joice	<i>Salem-street Church.</i>

MAY, 1858.

† Mrs. Mary E. Sawyer	<i>Pres. Ch., New Albany, Ind.</i>
Mrs. Charlotte Gibbs	<i>Church of the Pilgrims.</i>
* Andrew J. Balcom	<i>On profession.</i>

JULY, 1858.

John B. Easland	<i>First Cong. Ch., Bridgeport, Conn.</i>
Justin S. Ambrose	<i>Pearl-street Ch., Nashua, N.H.</i>
Mrs. Julia A. G. Ambrose	" "
† Hezekiah Prince	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Sarah N. Prince	"
Samuel F. Kittredge	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Marietta Kittredge	"
Mrs. Amelia Easland	"
† Eliza Ann Bennett	"
Charlotte Smith	"
Lizzie S. Ridgway (Mrs. Walker)	"
† Carrie L. Kimball	"
Mary F. Kimball	"

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* Ellen F. Cooley	<i>On profession.</i>
Helen T. Curry	"
Augusta Halstrick	"
† Sarah A. Pilsbury	"
† Matilda M. Lyon	"
† Ann J. Lyon	"
† Charles Gardner	"
† Thomas Prince	"
† James S. Norman	"
Peter Henderson	"

SEPTEMBER, 1858.

Amariah Storrs	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Lomira Storrs	"
Mrs. Anna M. Pollard	<i>Union Ch., Groton.</i>
† Mrs. Catharine T. Wendell	<i>W. Spruce-st. Pres. Ch., Phila.</i>
Miss Susan Storrs	<i>On profession.</i>

JULY, 1859.

† Nathan B. Clark	<i>Cong. Ch., Medford.</i>
† Mrs. Ellen R. Clark	" "
† John H. Shapleigh	<i>Cong. Ch., Malden.</i>
† Mrs. Harriet E. Shapleigh	" "
† Samuel Chapman	<i>South Cong. Ch., Augusta, Me.</i>
† Mrs. S. Chapman	" "

JULY, 1860.

Mrs. Sarah D. Wilson	<i>Central Church.</i>
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JANUARY, 1861.

Dr. Seth L. Sprague	<i>On profession.</i>
* Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Cottle	"
* Ellen Frances Stevens	"
John R. W. Shapleigh	"
Samuel C. Shapleigh	<i>Kirk-street Ch., Lowell.</i>
Mrs. Amy A. Shapleigh	" "

William T. Shapleigh . . .	<i>Kirk-street Ch., Lowell.</i>
Mrs. Henrietta H. Shapleigh . . .	“ “
Thomas W. Shapleigh . . .	“ “
Ellen L. Shapleigh . . .	“ “
† Mrs. Lucretia Flanders . . .	<i>Franklin-st. Ch., Nashua, N.H.</i>
Edward W. Cobb	<i>Central Church.</i>
Mrs. Eliza W. Cobb	“
† Israel D. Wildes	<i>First Cong. Ch., Weymouth.</i>
† Mrs. Almira N. Wildes	“ “
Mrs. Mary S. Studley	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
e H. D. P. Bigelow	<i>Cong. Ch., Grafton.</i>
† Mrs. Lydia P. C. Bigelow	“ “
Mrs. Caroline H. F. Sprague	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
George D. Baldwin	<i>Holmes Cong. Ch., Cambridge.</i>
Mrs. Maria S. Baldwin	“ “
† Mrs. Julia White	<i>Cong. Ch., Kennebunkport, Me.</i>
* Dr. Reuben D. Muzzy	<i>Second Pres. Ch., Cincinnati, O.</i>
* Mrs. Hetty Muzzy	“ “
† Horace M. Smith	<i>Olive-st. Cong. Ch., Nashua, N.H.</i>
† Mrs. Ellen A. Smith	“ “
† Mrs. Ann Gove	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
* Lydia H. Gove (Mrs. Wilkins)	“
Mrs. Sarah E. Huntington	<i>North Pres. Ch., Milwaukee, Wis.</i>
Mrs. Mary L. Leland	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Mary B. Adams	<i>Cong. Ch., Grafton.</i>
* Isaac Merriam	<i>Winter-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Jane M. Merriam	“
† Sereno B. Pratt	<i>First Cong. Ch., Charlestown.</i>
† Mrs. Carrie A Pratt	<i>Cong. Ch., Woburn.</i>
† Mrs. Sarah F. Carr	<i>Holmes Cong. Ch., Cambridge.</i>
Mrs. Frances Bishop	<i>Eliot Ch., Roxbury.</i>
Mrs. Julia A. Woodward	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Edward C. Stevens	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
† Mrs. Lydia C. Stevens	“
John G. Tilton	<i>Whitefield Ch., Newburyport.</i>
Mrs. Mary Ann Tilton	“ “

Mrs. Kate Tilton . . .	<i>Whitefield Ch., Newburyport.</i>
† Zenas Allen	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Caroline Allen	"
John C. Proctor	<i>Pres. Ch., Cleveland, O.</i>
Charles Demond	<i>Pine-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Ada B. Demond	<i>Pres. Ch., Washington, D.C.</i>
Henry H. Hyde	<i>Fifth-av. Pres. Ch., New York.</i>
Mrs. Sarah B. Hyde	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Hannah Shepard	"
Mrs. Mary E. Wheelock	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Esther F. Dimick	<i>Orthodox Ch., Dartmouth.</i>

MARCH, 1861.

Mrs. Mary M. Albree	<i>Third Pres. Ch., Pittsburg, Penn.</i>
Mrs. Sarah C. Beamis	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Nancy M. Felt	"

MAY, 1861.

Mrs. M. J. Paradise	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Annie M. Wilson	<i>On profession.</i>

NOVEMBER, 1861.

Mrs. Susan W. Bartemus	<i>Olive-street Ch., Nashua, N.H.</i>
John Holmes	<i>First Cong. Ch., Charlestown.</i>
Mrs. Sarah H. Holmes	" "
† Edwin L. Rand	<i>Mather Ch., Jamaica Plain.</i>
† Mrs. Emily S. Rand	" "
Charles A. Putnam	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Mrs. E. L. Putnam	"
George T. Waterman	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Celiste C. Waterman	"

JANUARY, 1862.

* Mrs. Mary F. Hobbs	<i>First Cong. Ch., Exeter, N.H.</i>
Mrs. E. G. B. Sprague	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
† Theron V. Shaw	<i>Second Cong. Ch., Weymouth.</i>

† E. Cornelia Shaw	.	.	<i>Second Cong. Ch., Weymouth.</i>
† Alice W. Shaw	.	.	" "
* Nathaniel D. Gould	.	.	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Sarah P. Gould	.	.	"
Augustus S. Lovett			<i>First Ortho. Cong. Ch., Somerville.</i>
Mrs. Mary A. Lovett			" "
† Joseph W. Lovett			" "
Mrs. Drusilla Wallace	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>

MARCH, 1862.

† William P. Anderson	.	.	<i>Vine-street Ch., Roxbury.</i>
† Mrs. Emma M. Anderson	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Mary A. Miller	.	.	<i>Winter-street Church.</i>
Caroline A. Miller	.	.	"
Isaac Freize	.	.	<i>Eliot Ch., Roxbury.</i>
Mrs. Elizabeth Freize	.	.	" "

MAY, 1862.

Joseph Chester Young	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Persis L. Young	.	.	"
† Isaac A. Hatch	.	.	<i>Central Cong. Ch., Bangor, Me.</i>
† Mrs. Harriet L. Hatch	.	.	<i>First Cong. Ch., Falmouth.</i>
Mrs. Jane E. Brown	.	.	<i>Cong. Ch., Augusta, Me.</i>

JULY, 1862.

† Edward A. Marsh	.	.	<i>South Cong. Ch., Springfield.</i>
† Mrs. Olive C. Marsh	.	.	<i>Olivet Cong. Ch., Springfield.</i>

NOVEMBER, 1862.

† Henry Mason	.	.	<i>First Ch., Cambridge.</i>
† Mrs. Helen Mason	.	.	" "
Anna F. Carruth (Mrs. Hill)	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
Anna S. Wilkins	.	.	"
† Marion B. Gove	.	.	"
Julia A. Jellison	.	.	"
† Linus Child	.	.	<i>First Cong. Ch., Lowell.</i>

† Mrs. Berinthia M. Child	.	.	.	.	<i>First Cong. Ch., Lowell.</i>
† Myra B. Child	.	.	.	.	" "
† Abby B. Child	.	.	.	.	" "

JANUARY, 1863.

Amory Leland	.	.	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
† Mrs. Elvira H. Gay	.	.	.	.	"
† Elbridge Torrey	.	.	.	.	"
Joel Wheeler	.	.	.	.	<i>Berkeley-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Charlotte Denny	.	.	.	.	<i>Cong. Ch., Auburndale.</i>
† Edward Gay	.	.	.	.	<i>Olive-st. Cong. Ch., Nashua, N.H.</i>
† Mrs. Mary F. Kelly	.	.	.	.	<i>Union Ch., Groton.</i>
Samuel T. Snow	.	.	.	.	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Adaline C. Snow	.	.	.	.	"
George A. Snow	.	.	.	.	<i>Beneficent Cong. Ch., Providence, R.I.</i>
Mrs. Anna E. Snow	.	.	.	.	" "
Mrs. Mary F. Leland	.	.	.	.	<i>Park-street Church.</i>

MARCH, 1863.

Mrs. Susan B. Marston	.	.	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
James P. Rice	.	.	.	.	<i>Salem-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Almira Lee	.	.	.	.	<i>Evangel. Cong. Ch., Barre.</i>
* Rev. Martin Moore	.	.	.	.	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Susan C. Moore	.	.	.	.	"
Sarah E. Moore	.	.	.	.	"
† Wallace P. Willett	.	.	.	.	"
† Mrs. Sarah E. Willett	.	.	.	.	"

MAY, 1863.

† Laura E. Hatch (Mrs. Wilkins)	.	.	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
Fanny E. Tilton (Mrs. Andrews)	.	.	.	.	"
Seymour Lyman	.	.	.	.	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Stella L. Cleveland	.	.	.	.	"
Luther H. Hunt	.	.	.	.	<i>Plymouth Cong. Ch., St. Paul, Minn.</i>
Lucy B. Bowles (Mrs. Lyman)	.	.	.	.	<i>Zion Ch., Montreal.</i>

JULY, 1863.

Mrs. Eliza B. Emery . . .	<i>Eliot Ch., Newton.</i>
Charles Hutchins . . .	<i>Vine-street Ch., Roxbury.</i>
Mrs. Charlotte G. Hutchins .	“ “

NOVEMBER, 1863.

† Mrs. Mary B. Felt . . .	<i>Oak-place Church.</i>
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JANUARY, 1864.

David A. Towner	<i>On profession.</i>
Samuel B. Shapleigh	“
† Gordon C. Judson .	<i>Pyncheon M. E. Ch., Springfield.</i>
† Mrs. Catharine Judson	“ “

MARCH, 1864.

Dr. Joseph H. Warren . . .	<i>Second Church, Dorchester.</i>
† Benjamin F. Bennett	<i>First Ortho. Cong. Ch., Somerville.</i>
† Mrs. Hannah B. Bennett	“ “
† Edward W. Dean	<i>Old South Church.</i>
† Mrs. Sallie B. Dean	“
† Francis B. Felt	<i>Oak-place Church.</i>
Oliver S. Brown	“
Frank H. Shapleigh	<i>On profession.</i>

MAY, 1864,

David A. Andrews	<i>Richmond-street Ch., Providence, R.I.</i>
Mrs. Eugenia M. Blanchard	<i>Springfield-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Olive Childs	<i>Essex-street Church.</i>
Samuel A. Brackett	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Ruby Brackett	<i>Baptist Ch., Keene, N.H.</i>
† Richard L. Gay	<i>Cong. Ch., Thompson, Conn.</i>
† Mrs. Beulah A. Gay	<i>Central Ch., Worcester.</i>
Mrs. Mary S. Atwood .	<i>First Cong. Ch., Nashua, N.H.</i>
Edward S. Atwood	“ “
Lysander P. Hunt	<i>First Cong. Ch., Dedham.</i>

Charles B. Botsford	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Lucy A. Botsford	<i>Cong. Ch., Bradford, Vt.</i>
† Frederick A. Ellis	<i>First Cong. Ch., Chicago, Ill.</i>
† Mrs. Abbie S. Ellis	<i>Winthrop Ch., Charlestown.</i>
† George A. McClellan	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>
† William Fox Richardson	<i>Oak-place Church.</i>
† Timothy Foster	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>

JULY, 1864.

† Mrs. Anna M. Hobart	<i>Oak-place Church.</i>
† Carrie B. Hobart	"
* Mrs. Elizabeth W. Baker	<i>Central Church.</i>
Mary Gwynn	<i>First Reformed Pres. Church.</i>
† Mrs. Mary E. Cowing	<i>First Pres. Ch., Lockland, O.</i>
† Thomas Hill	<i>First Pres. Ch., Memphis, Tenn.</i>
† Mrs. Louise M. Hill	" "

NOVEMBER, 1864.

William Wallace	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Rachel C. Wallace	"
Hiram Knapp	"
Mrs. Sophronia Knapp	"
Catharine Knapp	"
† Abbie S. McClellan	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Eliza W. Richardson	"

JANUARY, 1865.

Mrs. Emeline S. Cushman	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
James S. Stone	"
Mrs. Mary L. Stone	"
Albert Stone	"
Mrs. Emma M. A. Tolman	<i>Rowe-street Baptist Church.</i>
† Samuel F. Scammon	<i>Olivet Cong. Ch., Springfield.</i>
† Mrs. Mary C. Scammon	" "
† Mrs. Eunice E. Morse	<i>First Cong. Ch., Natick.</i>
Mrs. Mary D. Patten	<i>Cong. Ch., Grantville.</i>

Augustine S. Bemis . . .	<i>Springfield-street Church.</i>
Mrs. Ophelia L. Bemis . . .	"
Mrs. Frances C. Adams	<i>Somerville.</i>
Warren B. Ellis	<i>Central Church.</i>
Miss Anna H. Putnam	<i>On profession.</i>
Moses W. Richardson	"

MARCH, 1865.

Martha Sprague	<i>On profession.</i>
William W. Hill	<i>Springfield-street Church.</i>
Mrs. C. C. Chickering	<i>Berkeley-street Church.</i>
Charlotte W. Hawes	<i>First Ch., Wrentham.</i>

MAY, 1865.

Granville B. Putnam	<i>Cong. Ch., Quincy.</i>
Mrs. Jennie E. Putnam	<i>Amherst College Ch., Amherst.</i>
Mrs. Sarah Putnam	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Emily S. Cobb	<i>On profession.</i>
* Mrs. Abbie C. Howes	"

JULY, 1865.

Mrs. Harriet E. Coe	<i>Ortho. Cong. Ch., Foxborough.</i>
Samuel G. Webber	<i>Cong. Ch., Wellesley.</i>
Mrs. Nancy S. Webber	<i>On profession.</i>
Susan F. Lethbridge	"
Edmund F. Leland	"
Nathan Crowell	"
Mrs. Adeline Crowell	"
Nancy C. Cheever	"
* Emma F. Robinson	"
Mrs. Maria K. Gamble	"
Mrs. Sarah A. Galloupe	"

OCTOBER, 1865.

* Joseph A. Dix	<i>On profession.</i>
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NOVEMBER, 1865.

Adeline S. Tufts	<i>On profession.</i>
Joseph H. Dyer	<i>Cong. Ch., Shelburne Falls.</i>
Mrs. Lucy A. Dyer	" "

JANUARY, 1866.

Henry L. Clapp	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Mrs. Susan P. Clapp	<i>Cong. Ch., West Brookfield.</i>
William B. Mackie	<i>First Presbyterian Church.</i>
Mrs. Mary Ann Mackie	"
Thomas R. Blaney	"
Mrs. Mary Ann Blaney	"
Amory Maynard	<i>Union Evangel. Ch., Assabet.</i>
Mrs. Mary Maynard	" "
Mrs. Caroline F. Brigham	<i>Cong. Ch., Marlborough.</i>
Martha A. Willard	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Henry C. Cook	"
Mrs. Ellen A. Cook	"
Frances A. Hutchinson	<i>Calvinistic Cong. Ch., Fitchburg.</i>
Mrs. Eliza A. Hovey	<i>Cong. Ch., Waldborough, Me.</i>
L. Farley Hovey	<i>On profession.</i>

MARCH, 1866.

Henry C. Johnson	<i>Cong. Ch., Farmington, Me.</i>
Wesley Bigelow	<i>Cong. Ch., Sherborn.</i>

APRIL 20, 1866.

* Mrs. Annie W. Sheldon	<i>On profession.</i>
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MAY 4, 1866.

Charles E. Hapgood	<i>Cong. Ch., Amherst, N.H.</i>
Mrs. Mary E. Hapgood	" "
Mrs. Helen L. Richards	<i>Cong. Ch., Braintree.</i>
Mrs. Cora L. Hallett	<i>Shawmut-av. Baptist Church.</i>
Mrs. Irene S. Washburn	<i>Eliot Ch., Newton.</i>

Miss Annie T. Washburn . . .	<i>Eliot Ch., Newton.</i>
Mrs. Mary L. Campbell . . .	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
Miss Gertrude M. Davis (Mrs. Maynard)	"
Henry C. Bullard	<i>Franklin-street Ch., Manchester, N.H.</i>
Mrs. Martha B. Bullard	" "
* Daniel P. Dame . . .	<i>First Cong. Ch., Saco, Me.</i>
Mrs. Mary S. Dame . . .	" "
Mrs. Mary B. Towle . . .	" "
Miss Ellen F. Beach .	<i>Winnisimmet Cong. Ch., Chelsea.</i>
Miss S. Bella Stevens .	<i>Cong. Ch., Chester, N.H.</i>
James E. Walker, M.D. . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
Osborn Howes	"
Miss Abbie E. Daniels . . .	"
Miss Almada Leighton . . .	"
Mrs. Caroline Regally . . .	"

JUNE 29, 1866.

Walter Abbott	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Elsy P. Abbott	"
Miss Elsy F. L. Abbott . . .	"
Mrs. Sarah E. A. Thompson . .	"
William H. Hudson	"
Mrs. Emily L. Hudson	"
Mrs. Annie M. Stutson	"
John Erskine	"
Mrs. Catharine T. Erskine . . .	"
Mrs. Sarah M. Morrison	"
Mrs. Charlotte L. Hayward (Mrs. Edmands)	"
E. Noyes Whitcomb	"
Charles S. Cook	"
† Eugene Russell	"
* Mrs. Sarah A. Perry	"
Mrs. Anna S. Came	"
Lewis A. Leland	"
Willie D Leland	"
George W. Hunt	"

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Samuel F. Wilkins	.	.	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>
Charles B. Robinson	.	.	.	.	"
George B. Drake	.	.	.	.	"
Albert B. Hill	.	.	.	<i>Ortho. Cong. Ch., Waltham.</i>	
Mrs. Elvira N. Hill	.	.	.	"	"
† Oliver Cobb	.	.	.	.	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
George W. Howard	.	.	.	<i>First Pres. Ch., Utica, N.Y.</i>	
Mrs. Annie C. Drake	.	.	.	<i>Rowe-street Baptist Church.</i>	
C. D. Hitchcock (Mrs. Shapleigh)	.	.	.	<i>Am. Pres. Ch., Montreal.</i>	
William Stutson	.	.	.	<i>Cong. Ch., Sandwich.</i>	
Mrs. Nettie L. Wing	.	.	.	<i>Cong. Ch., Elgin, Ill.</i>	
† Theophilus R. Marvin	.	.	.	<i>Bowdoin-street Church.</i>	
† Mrs. Julia A. C. Marvin	.	.	.	"	

Nov. 2, 1866.

Mrs. Sarah A. Grout	<i>Second Pres. Ch., Indianapolis, Ind.</i>			
Miss Ella Grout	"	"	"	"
† Frederick C. Russell	.	.	.	<i>Mount Vernon Church.</i>
Lewis C. Breed	.	.	.	<i>Broadway Cong. Ch., Chelsea.</i>
† Rev. John Dudley	<i>Third Cong. Ch., New Haven, Conn.</i>			
† Mrs. Abby Dudley	"	"	"	"
Miss Sophia C. Jones	.	.	.	<i>Union Church.</i>
Miss Eliza A. Nickerson	.	.	.	<i>Ortho. Cong. Ch., Waltham.</i>
James A. Baird	.	.	.	<i>Brick Pres. Ch., New-York City.</i>
Miss Julia Whitby	.	.	.	<i>On profession.</i>

JAN. 1, 1867.

Charles H. Cook	.	.	.	<i>First Presbyterian Church.</i>
Mrs. Francelia M. Cook	.	.	.	"
Mrs. Elizabeth Litchfield	.	.	.	"
Mrs. Mary E. Gaffield	.	.	.	"
Miss R. Jennie Gaffield (Mrs. Wilder)	.	.	.	"
Frank W. Gaffield	.	.	.	"
Charles Temple	.	.	.	<i>Union Ch., Worcester.</i>
Mrs. Bridgett Temple	.	.	.	" "

Mrs. Charlotte F. Farnsworth	. First Cong. Ch., Lynn.
Mrs. Lovinia Smith	 On profession.
Isaac Green	 "
Mrs. Susan Green	 "

MARCH 1, 1867.

Mrs. Elizabeth Field	. . First Presbyterian Church.
Miss Fannie A. Maynard (Mrs. Church)	"
† Mrs. Winnifred B. Russell	. First Cong. Ch., Nantucket.
Edward A. Church	 Cong. Ch., Winchester.
Waldo V. Howard	First Cong. Ch., North Bridgewater.
Francis B. Gilman	. Second Cong. Ch., Portland, Me.
Miss C. Annette Buckle	First Pres. Ch., Evansville, Ind.
Miss Abbie F. Daniels	. First Cong. Ch., Medway.
Mrs. Harriet B. Erskine	 On profession.
Miss Sarah B. Sprague	 "
Miss Mary S. Sprague	 "
Miss M. Fannie Atwood	 "

MAY 3, 1867.

Miss E. M. Nickerson (Mrs. Meserve)	Wint'p Ch., Cha'st'n.
Mrs. E. Jane Johnson	. . State-st. Ch., Portland, Me.
Alverse L. White	 Ortho. Cong. Ch., Melrose.
Mrs. Mary White	 " "
George E. Hatch	 Union Church.
Mrs. Catharine F. Hatch	 On profession.
William G. Benedict	 "
Mrs. Fannie W. Benedict	 "
Mrs. Alice P. Janeway	 "
Miss Helen F. Bemis	 "
Augustus F. Perkins	 "
Miss Mary F. Marston	 "
Miss Mary A. Kimball	 "
Isaac D. Blodgett	 "
Miss Mary E. Talbot	 "

- † Mrs. Charlotte G. Merrill *On profession.*
 Charles H. Crump "
 Mrs. Mary L. Crump *St. Mark's Episcopal Church.*

JULY 5, 1867.

- Abbott T. Maynard *On profession.*
 William H. Lorimer "
 Mrs. Helen Church "
 Miss Helen Church "
 Henry A. Church *First Cong. Ch., Fairhaven.*
 William L. Fisher . *Broadway Cong. Ch., New-York City.*
 Robert M. Ireland . *United Pres. Ch., Glasgow, Scot.*
 Mrs. Louisa Gale . *Cong. Ch. Roslindale, West Roxbury.*

Nov. 1, 1867.

- Miss Isabell Barry (Mrs. Richardson) *On profession.*
 Charles N. Snow "
 Mrs. Caroline G. Houghton *Cong. Ch., North Adams.*
 Horace Whitney *Cong. Ch., Gardner.*
 Mrs. Mary Whitney " "
 Franklin Barnard *Cong. Ch., Shelburne.*

JAN. 3, 1868.

- † Joseph S. Wells *On profession.*
 Miss Susan E. Cobb "
 Miss Katie W. Towle "
 Mrs. Ellen Hodgden "
 Samuel C. Darling . *Ch. of the Puritans, Brooklyn, N.Y.*
 Miss Bessie T. Capen . *Holmes Cong. Ch., Cambridge.*
 Henry Williams *Mount Vernon Church.*
 Mrs. Harriet N. Williams . *Cong. Ch., Chepachet, R.I.*

FEB. 28, 1868.

- George O. Waitt *On profession.*
 M. Fayette Dickinson . *Amherst College Ch., Amherst.*

Mrs. Cecilia F. Dickinson . *Payson Ch., Easthampton.*
 Mrs. Caroline A. Morey *Central Pres. Ch., Philadelphia.*

MAY 1, 1868.

† Miss Julia E. Tirrell *On profession.*
 Miss Mary A. Studley (Mrs. Shapleigh) "
 Miss Sarah P. Studley "
 John P. Nichols *Salem-street Church.*
 Mrs. Mary Ann Nichols "
 Mrs. Mary S. Bishop *First Cong. Ch., Medford.*
 Miss Frances S. Butler *Cong. Ch., Bedford.*
 Mrs. Mary Z. Studley *East Cong. Ch., Weathersfield, Vt.*
 Alfred E. Sloan *First Pres. Ch., Seneca Falls, N.Y.*
 Mrs. Lizzie J. Sloan " "
 Mrs. Hepsabeth B. Sprague *First Cong. Ch., Nantucket.*
 Miss Rebecca J. Gilman *Union Cong. Ch., Groton.*
 Mrs. Hannah E. Emery *Chambers-street Church.*
 Mrs. Mary M. Taylor *Park-street Church.*
 Mrs. Luvan A. Hyde *First Cong. Ch., Brimfield.*
 Edward A. Lawrence *Eliot Ch., Roxbury.*
 Josiah Kimball *Lawrence-street Cong. Ch., Lawrence.*
 Mrs. Mary W. S. Kimball " " "
 Mrs. Elizabeth Davis *Park-street Church.*
 Mrs. Mary J. Weston *Fort-street Ch., Honolulu, S.I.*
 George W. Walker *Vine-street Cong. Ch., Roxbury.*
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Walker " "
 † Stephen A. Emery *Free-street Baptist Ch., Portland, Me.*
 † Mrs. Lydia A. Emery *State-street Cong. Ch.,* "
 Alexander Stowell *Park-street Church.*
 Mrs. Fannie B. Stowell "

JULY 3, 1869.

Mrs. Joanna E. McClure *First Evang. Ch., Cambridgeport.*

JAN. 1, 1869.

Miss Emma F. Hovey (Mrs. Shapleigh)	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Isabella H. Tufts	"
Miss S. Louise Whitcomb (Mrs. Gaffield)	"
† Charles B. Newcomb	<i>Park-street Church.</i>
† Mrs. Ida M. T. Newcomb	<i>St. Paul's Episcopal Ch., Phila.</i>
Miss Leila F. Newcomb (Mrs. Farnsworth)	<i>Park-st. Ch.</i>
J. Jay Newcomb	"
Miss Jane W. Tappan	<i>Cong. Ch., Augusta, Me.</i>
Mrs. Lucretia T. Blanchard	<i>Crombie-st. Cong. Ch., Salem.</i>

MARCH 5, 1869.

Miss Ida C. Munson	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Isadore Page	"

APRIL 30, 1869.

Edward H. Church	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Lily A. Weeks	"
Mrs. Elizabeth M. Chase	<i>Mt. Vernon Church.</i>
Miss Sarah N. Ware	<i>John Eliot Ch., South Natick.</i>
H. Edward Abbott	<i>Cong. Ch., Amherst, N.H.</i>
Mrs. Catharine A. Abbott	" "
Mrs. Eliza B. Crabtree	<i>Second Cong. Ch., W. Falmouth, Me.</i>
Miss Caroline W. Crabtree	" "
Miss Sarah L. Crabtree	" "

MAY 30, 1869.

Mrs. Mary T. Cooper	<i>On profession.</i>
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JULY 2, 1869.

Mrs. Sarah B. Wells	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Fanny C. Haven	"
Miss Edith T. Cooper	"

OCT. 29, 1869.

Miss Ella A. Leland	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Eunice F. Parker	"
Miss Olivia H. Hewes	"
Mrs. Mary C. Sanford	<i>First Cong. Ch., New Bedford.</i>
Mrs. Chloe N. Potter	<i>First Cong. Ch., Braintree.</i>
Rev. Charles Cleveland	<i>Springfield-street Church.</i>
* Mrs. Lucy Cleveland	"

DEC. 30, 1869.

Mrs. Mary G. Howe	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Lilian Fisher	"
John H. Jarvis	<i>Cong. Ch., Castine, Me.</i>
Mrs. Sarah E. Jarvis	" "
Mrs. Delia F. Chamberlain	" "
Miss Marietta Fisher	<i>First Cong. Ch., Franklin.</i>

MARCH 4, 1870.

Charles A. Belden	<i>First Pres. Ch., San Jose, Cal.</i>
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Lovett	<i>Trin. Cong. Ch., New Bedford.</i>
Mrs. Ellen S. Fullam	<i>On profession.</i>

JUNE 3, 1870.

Mrs. Clara T. Emery	<i>On profession.</i>
Miss Ella T. Gould	"
Miss Fannie A. Potter	"
Miss Edith M. Shedd	"
Miss Lucy A. Fogg	"
Miss Mary T. Lamonico	"
Henry Bond	"
Miss Mary F. Hutchins	"
Miss Ella C. Hutchins	"
Mrs. Susan C. Lawrence	"
Miss Francena M. Rowe	"
Miss Annie A. Daniels	"

Mrs. Caroline E. Warren . . .	<i>On profession.</i>
Edward F. Miller	"
Mrs. Fannie C. Miller	"
Wilder A. Charles	"
Hiram C. Young	"
Mrs. Sarah H. C. Young	"
Mrs. Sarah A. Sweetser	"
Miss Ida E. Kittredge	"
Miss Emily R. Wallace	"
Fordyce F. Wheelock	"
Mrs. Martha A. Wheelock	"
Mrs. Sarah H. Wheelock	"
J. Augustus Felt	"
Miss Mary A. Livingstone	"
Miss Susan K. Sprague	"
Miss Elizabeth T. Webb	"
Miss Annie W. Webb	"
John Albree	"
Miss Elvira F. Hill	"
Miss E. Fannie Nightingale	"
Miss Lizzie C. Clark	"
William S. Rand	"
Mrs. Mary K. Rand	"
George H. Davis	<i>Union Church.</i>
Mrs. Sarah C. Davis	"
Miss Lizzie F. Davis	"
Samuel Carr, jun. . . .	<i>Second Cong. Ch., Newton.</i>

JULY 1, 1870.

Samuel Carr	<i>Winthrop Church, Charlestown.</i>
Mrs. Louisa H. Carr	" "
Miss Emma L. Mills	<i>On profession.</i>

DEC. 30, 1870.

Mrs. Ellen S. Fisher	<i>On profession.</i>
Mrs. Hannah S. S. Appleton	"

Mrs. Laura E. Wilkins . . . *Eliot Church, Newton.*
 Mrs. Jane S. Edmands . . . *E-street Church, South Boston.*
 Charles E. Miles . . . *Calvinist Church, Worcester.*
 Mrs. Catharine S. Miles . . . " "

FEB. 24, 1871.

Mrs. Annie Reed . . . *First Independent Church, Phila.*
 Miss Sarah H. Perry . . . *On profession.*

FORM ASKING LETTER OF DISMISSION.

*To the SHAWMUT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,
 Rev. E. B. WEBB, D.D., Pastor.*

Dear Brethren:

*Having changed my residence, you will confer a favor
 by granting me dismission and recommendation to*

*In bonds of Christian fellowship and affection,
 Truly yours,*



OFFICERS

OF THE

Shawmut Congregational Church,

JANUARY 1, 1871.

PASTOR.

REV. EDWIN B. WEBB, D.D.

DEACONS.

SAMUEL C. WILKINS. CHARLES HUTCHINS.
RICHARD H. STEARNS. GRANVILLE B. PUTNAM.
- HENRY D. HYDE.

W. L. G. HUNT, CLERK.

SAMUEL F. WILKINS, TREASURER.

COMMITTEE.

THE PASTOR, DEACONS, AND CLERK.

FREDERICK JONES. NATHAN CROWELL.
EDWARD A. LAWRENCE. FRANCIS B. GILMAN.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

JANUARY, 1871.

Organization of the Church, Nov. 20, A.D. 1845.

Organization of Shawmut Congregational Society, April 4, 1849.

Rev. GEORGE A. OVIATT, installed Nov. 20, 1845 ; dismissed March 28, 1849.

Rev. WILLIAM C. FOSTER, installed Oct. 25, 1849 ; dismissed Dec. 30, 1851.

Rev. CHARLES SMITH, installed Dec. 8, 1853 ; dismissed Nov. 8, 1858.

Rev. EDWIN B. WEBB, D.D., installed Oct. 5, 1860.

First chapel dedicated July 13, 1845.

First meeting-house dedicated Nov. 18, 1852.

Present meeting-house dedicated Feb. 11, 1864.

Mission Chapel dedicated Nov. 1, 1865.

Total admissions to church from its organization, 857 ; viz., by profession, 284 ; by letter, 573.

Total dismissals, deaths, and excommunications, 368.

Total present membership, 489 ; viz., 161 males, 328 females.

